Violence in Gujarat after Godhra incident

799. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the violence in Gujarat has continued after Godhra incident;

(b) if so, the number of incidents of communal violence registered in Gujarat and elsewhere till date with their causes; and

(c) the steps being taken to curb communal violence in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) As per available information, 106 incidents took place in Gujarat after the Godhra train carnage on 27th February 2002. The corresponding figure for the whole country including Gujarat from March, 2002 to January, 2003 is 634. The causative factors of communal violence include religious disputes, land and other property disputes, eve teasing and sex related crimes, political rivalry and other miscellaneous factors.

(c) A number of measures are taken in a sustained manner to assist the State Governments/UT Administrations in the maintenance of peace and communal harmony. These include sharing of intelligence, providing Central Para Military Forces and army columns on specific request and financial assistance for the modernization of State Police Forces, etc. Detailed Guidelines to promote Communal Harmony have also been issued to all the States/Union Territories.

Temporary Work-Permits to Bangladeshis

800. SHRI DINA NATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to prepare a national and State-wise register of illegal Bangladeshi migrants living in India;

(b) whether Government have plans to give them temporary work-permits and Identity Cards containing their Bangladeshi and Indian addresses thereon; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?